



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Office of the Secretary

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Re: Bayer/Aventis  
FTC File No. 011-0199, Docket No. C-4049.

Dear Mr. Melamed:

On November 1, 2002, the Commission received a letter from you regarding the Commission's ongoing investigation of Bayer's and Aventis's alleged

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